

Project modifications ADRION Seminar on projects implementation ADRION 2nd Call projects

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Content

Not allowed modifications Minor modifications Major modifications

Not allowed modifications



- □ Spending forecast unless linked to significant change in the workplan;
- Contribution of the project to the programme result(s);
- □ Orientation towards equality between men and women and non-discrimination;
- □ Positive or neutral contribution towards environment.

Minor Modifications

Modifications that do not have a substantial impact on the overall project goals and implementation

eMS Update & JS information

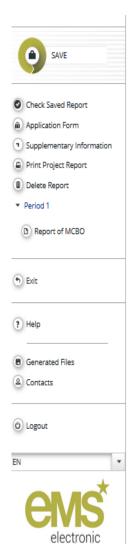
- Bank account change
- Storage of the documents change

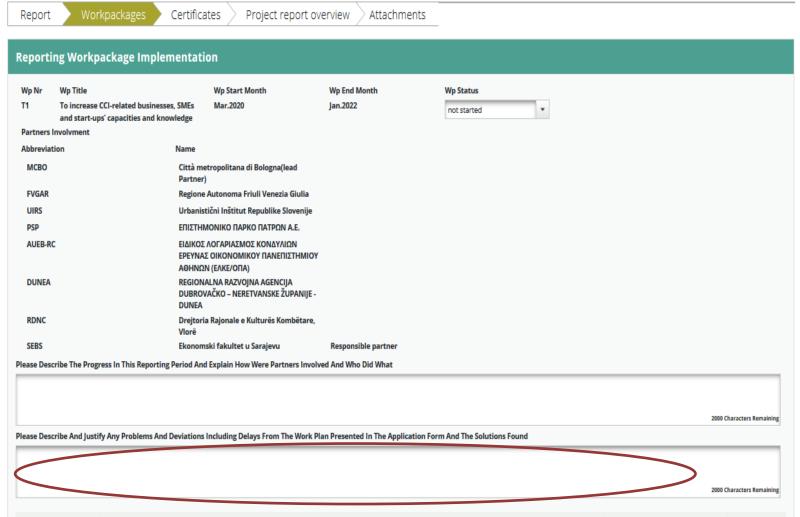
Prior approval by JS/MA

- LP/PP legal representative change
- LP/PP contact data change
- VAT status
- LP/PP name change;
- Workplan and financial adjustment;
- Budget flexibility

Minor modifications are considered deviations

Where to report the deviations





Work plan and financial adjustment

Minor adjustments not affecting the strategic approach of the project and not jeopardizing the project implementation by the foreseen end date



- Change of the format of an activity or deliverable;
- Change of the timeline of a single activity/deliverable or output;
- Involvement of the PPs in a workpackge and activity;
- Small reallocations within the same budget line and WP.

The following are <u>not considered minor changes</u>





- Reduction of the quantity / quality or changing the nature of outputs / deliverables;
- Reducing the target values of indicators and target groups

Budget flexibility

Budget flexibility allows to the project to adapt the budget to the project's implementation needs

Re-allocation refers to:

- ✓ Budget lines or
- ✓ Work packages or
- ✓ Budget lines and workpackages



Up to 20% or EUR 40.000,00_o (whichever is higher)

The calculation is done at project level



Budget flexibility - Restrictions



Total Partner's budget cannot be exceeded; ☐ Total overall budget of the project cannot be exceeded; ERDF and IPA II amounts cannot be excedeed; Spending forecast per period cannot be changed; ■ Budget reallocation cannot alter the project overall intervention logic, reduce the relevance of certain WPs; alter the PPs involvement or core deliverables; Changes in staff costs effect also «office and administrative» costs; State aid budget cannot be exceeded at PP and project level; Expenditure incurred and already paid during implementation cannot be changed including preparation costs.

Budget flexibility (examples)

Example 1

Budget line (AF)	Budget line (new)	Difference			
BL1 – EUR 600.000,00	EUR 540.000,00	EUR -60.000,00			
BL2 – EUR 300.000,00	EUR 360.000,00	EUR +60.000,00 (20%)			
	Total Budget difference (AF) vs new : EUR 0,00				



Example 2

WP (AF)	Budget line (new)	Difference			
WT1 – EUR 150.000,00	EUR 191.000,00	EUR +41.000,00 (27,3%)			
WT2 – EUR 200.000,00	EUR 159.000,00 EUR -41.000,00				
	Total Budget difference (AF) vs new : EUR 0,00				



How to proceed with minor modifications

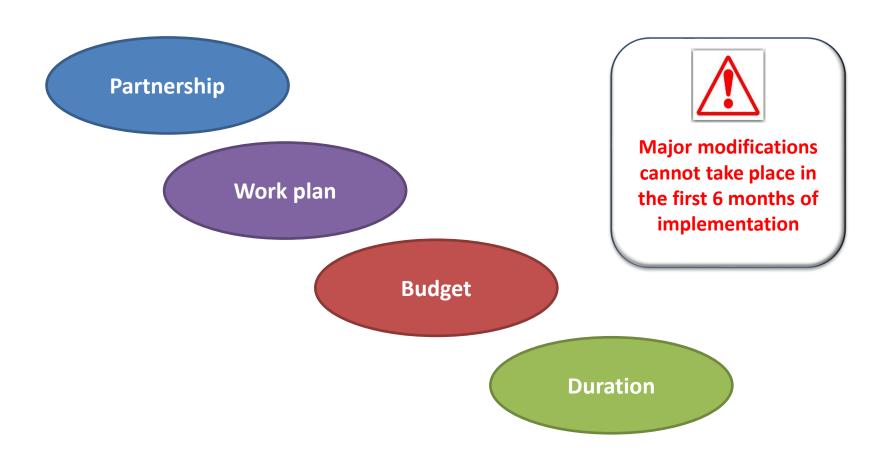
Preliminary comunication to JS via email on the minor changes, providing also the required documentation MA/JS analyses the change and approves it via email or allows to the LP to proceed with «Request for modifications» in eMS to reflect the change in AF

MA/JS approve the modification

Minor modifications not allowed in the first 6 months of implementation

Major Modifications

Modifications that go beyond the "minor changes" foreseen and that require an amendment of the Subsidy Contract and Partnership Agreement



Partnership Changes

- ✓ A withdrawn Partner not replaced;
- ✓ An Associated Partner not replaced.
- ✓ A withdrawn Partner replaced by another Partner already present in the partnership;
- ✓ A withdrawn Partner replaced by a new partner;
- ✓ A Partner experiencing a structural or legal change.
 - ✓ The presence of minimum partnership eligibility requirements will be checked;
 - ✓ In case of non-replacement Partner, the partnership must demonstrate that it will **not jeopordize the project implementation**;
 - ✓ The withdrawan Partner must respect the obligations of documents retention;



- ✓ PP replacement should be preferably located in the same Partner State;
- ✓ The **overall ERDF and IPA project budget** shares must remain **unchanged**.
- ✓ In case of legal change, the new entity takes over all duties and obligations of its predecessor;
- ✓ In case an Associated Partner withdraws and is not replaced, such a decision implies a revision of the PP budget.
- ✓ Request for changes can be submitted up to 3 months before the ending date;

Budget modifications

Budget changes exceeding the flexibility rules.

It refers to re-allocations between Partners and/or budget lines and /or work packages



The budget reallocation between LP/PPs is allowed only if they are benefitting from the same source of funding (ERDF or IPA II)



Restrictions

Each Partner cannot exceed the max of 20% of EU co-financing of the overa
project budget;
Staff costs cannot exceed 50% of overall budget;
Cannot affect the activities considered State Aid relevant and subject to «de
minimiss « rule;
Cannot be related to the preparation costs and expenditure incurred and
already paid
Cannot affect spending forecasts unless linked to significant changes in the
project workplan;
Cannot make Partner's budget irrelevant within the project;
The request must be submitted up to 3 months before ending date.

Work plan Changes

The requests for modification of activities/outputs must be duly justified and submitted no later than one month before the activities/outputs should take place according to the project work plan.



- ✓ Do not alter the overall project goals and objectives;
- ✓ Do not alter the contribution of the project to the programme results;
- ✓ Do not alter the orientation towards equality men and women and non

 discrimination;
- Do not revise the positive or neutral orientation towards environment;
- ✓ Do not affect the state aid relevant activities in the middle of implementation.
- Do not heavily change the Partner contribution.



Restrictions

- ☐ The Request must be submitted up to 3 months before the project end date;
- ☐ The Request must include an exhaustive justification.

Project duration change

✓ The extension of the project duration can be of a max of 6 months

✓ Requested only once during the project lifetime



✓ The request must be submitted up to 3 months

before the project ending date

✓ The request cannot be submitted before the 12 month of project implementation

How to proceed with the major modifications



A preliminary comunication sent to JS by the LP including the supported documentation required MA/JS informs the LP on the MC decision and invites it to proceed with a «Request for Modification» in eMS

MA/JS checks the modifications and approve them in eMS











MA/JS analyses the request of change and if accepted, submits it to the MC for approval

Legal status and absence of fraudolent behaviour are checked by NCPs in case of legal status change/succession or new PPs

MA/JS unlocks the AF to LP. LP reflects the approved modifications on the AF (eMS)

MA/JS provides to the LP the amendment of the Subsidy Contract; LP must ensure the revision of the Partnership Agreement and communicate it on eMS;

The date of approval shall be valid retroactively from the date when the written request is submitted to MA/JS.

Request of major modifications



General

- Save As Pdf File
- Generated Files
- Attachments
- Modification Request Overview
- Bookmark Project
- ☑ Toggle Tree
- Contacts
- ? Help
- 5 Exit

Application And Contract

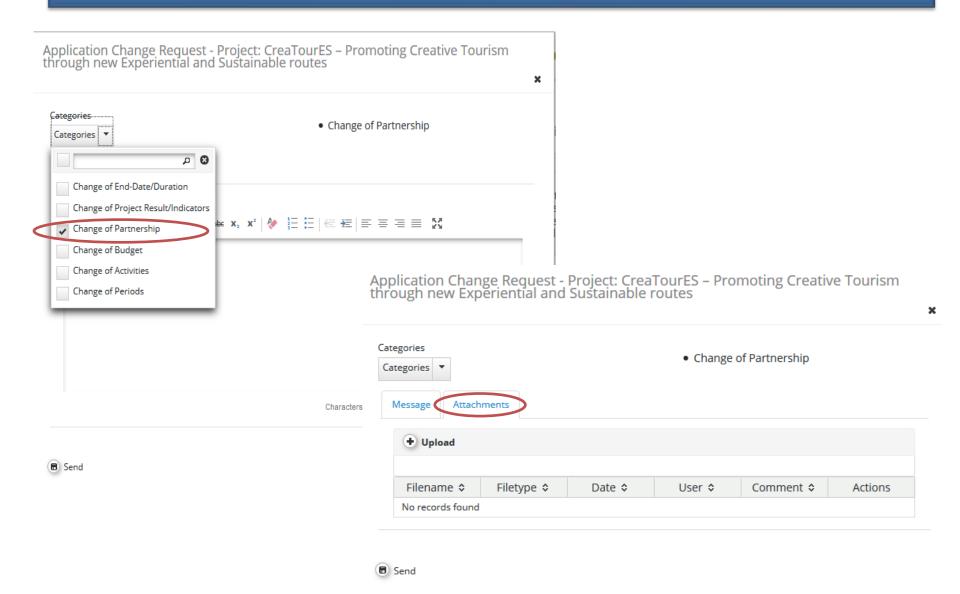
- Project History
- Supplementary Information
- Project Application

Modification Request Details- Project CreaTourES – Promoting Creative Tourism through new Experiential and Sustainable re

	Open modification details	Modification request							
Modification number		Modification request (date)	Modification requested by	Type of modification	Modification request approved / rejected	Modification request approved / rejected (date)	Modification request approved / rejected by	Submission of application form by lp (date)	Applicat form accepte rejecte hande back
1	P	31.10.2019 12:22:22	vale.js	Change of Budget, Change of End- Date/Duration, Change of Partnership, Change of Project Result/Indicators, Change of Activities, Change of Periods	Accepted	31.10.2019 12:22:22	vale.js	03.02.2020 16:17:09	Accepted

Request Modification

Request of major modifications



How the LP see the modifications requests

Modification Request Details- Project CreaTourES – Promoting Creative Tourism through new Experiential and Sustainable routes

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Request Modification